

WEE WUNS WEEKDAY MINISTRY

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WEE WUNS MONTHLY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - SEPTEMBER 2021

September 2021 Director's Message

Matthew 18:1 - 5: At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of Heaven?" He called a child, whom he put among them and said, "Truly, I tell you unless you change and become like children you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me."

Welcome to our 2021/2022 school year. It has been a glorious start to the school year. The students are coming in with enthusiasm, getting adjusted to their new routines and making new friends. Our hallways are filled with excitement and laughter. This makes our hearts happy especially after the quiet of summer. We want you to know that we strive to create an atmosphere that is both reassuring and welcoming.

We are so proud to be celebrating our 50th Anniversary of service to children and families in our community. There will be many exciting events through the year to celebrate this milestone. We will keep you posted.

We are in the process of having renovations done to an outside space that will become an outdoor classroom. When the renovations are complete we hope to hold a ribbon cutting ceremony to celebrate. This space will be a great addition to the children's learning experience.

Thank you for taking the time to attend one of our parent orientations. This opportunity to communicate with you about our program is one of the most important links between home and school.

It is my hope that this school year will be an amazing time of love, laughter, growth, and discovery for your child. If you ever have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Geralyn



CHICK-FIL-A

Our first order-out day for lunch at school will be Wednesday, Sept. 23. Students will have an opportunity to order lunch on these days. Parents may take the day off from making lunch. Watch for a note to sign up to participate.

FALL STUDENT PICTURES

Fall photos are scheduled to be taken for Toddlers on Monday and Tuesday, October 18 & 19. Preschool photos will be taken on Wednesday and Thursday, October 20 & 21. A reminder note will be sent home before these dates.

September School Holidays Monday September 6 – Labor Day, Friday Sept. 24 – No School

Back to school

Chapel starts next Wednesday and Thursday for Toddlers in the Enrichment Room at 9:15 and for Preschoolers in the Sanctuary at 9:15. Daphne Kemper will lead the Toddler Chapel and Jamie McLain will lead the Preschool Chapel. Jamie will also be starting her Get With God Class. Jamie will be teaching the children the following Bible verse for the month of September —

We have the Lord our God to help us.

2 Chronicles 32:8

PTO

You are invited to join our PTO
Board and volunteers for a
glimpse of the energy, enthusiasm
and excitement that abounds as
they prepare and sponsor events
and fundraisers for our school.
Please meet them upstairs in
Room 202 after drop off on
Tuesday Sept. 14 and Wednesday
Sept. 15. It will be an opportunity
to share refreshments and gather
information for this year

REMIND 101

Please be sure to coordinate with your child's teacher to set up Remind 101 on your phone for your child's class. This is a quick and efficient way to communicate with the teachers and for them to communicate with you

ATTENTION COMING SOON!

A WEE WUNS FUNDRAISER!



It's super easy! Please help support our fundraiser by following the steps below to register online today. When you register, we'll know you're committed to supporting our fundraiser and helping us reach our goals. To help our organization even more, send 10 email invitations to friends & family and spread the word about our need for help. With over 2,500 gift ideas, supporters can shop and accomplish all of their gift giving needs, all while supporting our important cause.

Will you follow the instructions below and register today? It's easy, it's simple, and it's important!

Here's how to register today and help us spread the word!

Invite friends and family (even if they're out of town), online orders ship directly to the purchaser!

Organization ID: **22439**

Step 1: REGISTER at registercw.com (use organization 22439)

Step 2: Use our **Email-Invite Generator** to invite out-of-town friends & family to shop and support! Plus, share your unique invite links via text and social media.



Participant Registration

MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW IN THE COMING WEEKS IN YOUR CHILD'S BACKPACK



Dear Wee Wuns Parents.

BIENVENIDOS to a new and exciting school year at Wee Wuns Spanish program!

My name is Beatriz Mesa. I'm originally from Spain and I hold a BA in education. I've been teaching Spanish language to children and adults for 20 years in Europe and the United States. I have a a passion for teaching, travelling around the world and learning about different people and their cultures! This will be my fifth year teaching Spanish in Wee Wuns and I can't wait to meet your little ones this week!

I can't stress enough the importance of being exposed to a second language from early childhood. How fortunate our children are to be given this opportunity at Wee Wuns, specially considering that Spanish is the second most spoken language in the world!

Overview:

- Our language program is designed for our friends age 3-4 and Bridge and will focus on the development of listening and speaking skills in the Spanish language.
- It will cover basic Spanish vocabulary and expressions throughout the year and theme vocabulary aligned with their regular age group unit guides.
- Spanish classes will take place in 30 minutes sessions once a week on Mondays/Tuesdays.
- We are proud to offer an immersion program. This means we only use Spanish in class. Our friends will learn Spanish in the same natural way that they learn their primary language at home. Translation in English is avoided. Instead our friends will learn to make meaningful connections with the new language by being exposed to flash cards, pictures, photos, body and sign language and being exposed to meaningful contexts through play time. Soon your children will talk to you about CURRO, our Spanish class mascot!
- Practice of Finger plays, songs, chants and games, that will provide your children with picking up on the rhythm and sound breaks in Spanish.
- Repetition, repetition and more repetition. I'm constantly asking our friends to repeat after me. This is key for pronunciation and language acquisition.

Vocabulary for September :

- Colors: rojo, amarillo, verde, azul, rosa/rosado.
- Numbers 1-10 (3-4 years) 1-20 (bridge).
- Our class/Family/ pets and our home.

Class commands:

Siéntate, levántate/ponte de pie, toca, tráeme.

Language practice:

- Hola, buenos días, ¿como estás? Bien, gracias, ¿y tú?
- ¿Cómo te llamas? Me llamo...
- ¿Tienes mascota? Si, tengo un/una.... No, no tengo.
 MRS. MESA Y CURRO



iHasta pronto amigos!

A message from the pastor:



Ed Wandling Associate Pastor

Your faith journey is important to us! Your faith defines who you are and shapes everything about how you live life, including how you parent. As part of our Wee Wuns ministry, we're here to partner with you not only in helping you disciple your children, but in helping you grow in your faith. You are the biggest influence on your child's life.

In this fiftieth anniversary year (Yay!) we're going to be more intentional about being available to you. You'll see articles and posts about things beyond Wee Wuns that might be helpful. You'll also see me and other members of the church staff at Wee Wuns events. If you want it, we want to make sure you have the opportunity to get to know us and to participate in other aspects of our ministry. This is not an effort to replace what you're already doing, but to supplement it.

We're also working hard to make Wee Wuns consistent in inconsistent times. The last year and a half has been very hard on all of us as we grappled with our fears and the reality of COVID19. We've been in a state of constant flux, and we're aware that new developments could force changes in the future. That being said, it will take a major disruption for us to make changes to the policies we've published for this school year. We want to provide consistency for you, your children, our teachers, and our administrators.

It's going to be a great year!



HAPPENINGS AND EVENTS

Cypress KIDS has some FUN upcoming events and you are invited to join us! If you have any questions about any of the events or Cypress KIDS contact Christie Erwin at cumckids@cypress-umc.org. I would love to chat with you! We are praying for all of our kids and staff to have an amazing school year.

3 & 4 year olds + Parents



Calling all 3's & 4's (includes kids in Bridge/Transition class) plus their parents! Join us for our Clubhouse Experience on September 12 from 9:00-9:30 AM. Meets in Room W11 (The Clubhouse – Toddler Hallway)

The Clubhouse Experience includes:

- -A meet and greet with the Preschool Team
- -Bible Presentation for the Kids We would love to present our kids with their very own Bible to read God's Word at home.
- An overview of the Clubhouse Preschool Ministry
- Learn the variety of ways we partner with parents to disciple kids

Sign up TODAY! Must sign up by September 8 to receive a Bible. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfkIIG_7p4EMwSrYxys Wq3U77R4Xg6M5-

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Hey moms and sons! We have a special night planned just for YOU! Join us for some field day fun and dinner on Friday, September 17 from 6-8 PM

Who: 4 year olds through 5th grade + their moms (or mother figure)

Cost: \$10 per person and includes dinner/dessert

Where: Ministry Activity Center

Deadline to register is September 8. Payment link will be sent at a later

date.

Register Here

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfSnTuVblw1fpSGmCfGB1L1cu8WGqhgNHQYUDVk4cqJIrPOgw/viewform?usp=sf_link



We'd love to know what you think

Your faith matters, and we're expanding the ways we partner with parents to help them understand, grow, and live out their faith.

Our first step is to ask parents how we can best help them, and we'd love for you to join us!

There'll be free pizza and childcare. (RSVP here for childcare.)

We look forward to seeing you!

Sunday, Sept 12, 12:15, Fellowship Hall

Please help us help the victims in Louisiana as they work to recover from Hurricane Ida. We will have collection boxes out at preschool car line and in the toddler halls. Your donations will be greatly appreciated.



Donations will be received during drop-off through Friday, September 17.

Upcoming:

October 7 & 8 Fabulous Fall/Pumpkin Patch Event
October 13 & 14 Preschool Dad's Night Event
October 18-21 Fall Student Photos
October 22 Student Holiday

